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AMENDMENT AND PRESENTATION OF CLAIMS

Please replace all prior claims in the present application with the following claims, in which claims 1-7 and 13-28 are canceled without prejudice or disclaimer, and claims 29-54 are newly presented.

- 1.-28. (Canceled)
- 29. (New) A method of messaging, comprising:

generating an advertisement capcode that is separate from a programmed capcode of a paging unit, wherein the advertisement capcode is selectively assigned to the paging unit; and designating an advertisement script for transmission to the paging unit if the paging unit has been assigned the advertisement code.

30. (New) A method according to claim 29, further comprising:

storing the advertisement capcode in a central database;

programming the paging unit with the advertisement capcode;

correlating the advertisement capcode stored in the central database with the programmed capcode into the paging unit; and

transmitting the advertisement script to the paging unit based upon the correlation.

- 31. (New) A method according to claim 29, further comprising:
- transmitting a message along with the advertisement script to the paging unit.
- 32. (New) A method according to claim 29, further comprising:

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crediting a subscriber account associated with the paging unit based on usage of the advertisement capcode.

- 33. (New) A method according to claim 29, wherein the advertisement capcode is assigned to a plurality of paging units including the paging unit.
 - 34. (New) A method according to claim 29, further comprising: unassigning the advertisement capcode from the paging unit.
- 35. (New) A method according to claim 29, wherein the advertisement capcode is assigned based on a marketing criteria.
 - 36. (New) A method according to claim 29, further comprising:
 receiving the advertisement script from an entity different from a provider of service for the paging unit.
 - 37. (New) A method for communicating within a paging network, the method comprising: storing, in memory, an advertisement capcode for receiving an advertisement script, wherein the advertisement capcode is separate from a programmed capcode designated for receiving messages, the advertisement script being retrieved based on the advertisement capcode.
- 38. (New) A method according to claim 37, wherein the advertisement capcode is maintained in a central database by a service provider, the advertisement capcode being correlated with the programmed capcode.

- 39. (New) A method according to claim 37, further comprising:
- receiving the advertisement script with a message, wherein the advertisement script precedes the message.
- 40. (New) A method according to claim 37, wherein a credit is earned by a subscriber of the paging network if the advertisement capcode is utilized.
 - 41. (New) A method according to claim 37, further comprising: removing the advertisement capcode from the memory.
- 42. (New) A method according to claim 37, wherein the advertisement capcode is assigned based on a marketing criteria including characteristics of a subscriber corresponding to the programmed capcode.
- 43. (New) A method according to claim 37, wherein the advertisement script is created by an entity different from a provider of the paging network.
- 44. (New) An apparatus of communicating within a paging network, the apparatus comprising:
 - a memory configured to store an advertisement capcode for receiving an advertisement script, wherein the advertisement capcode is separate from a programmed capcode designated for receiving messages, the advertisement script being retrieved based on the advertisement capcode.

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45. (New) An apparatus according to claim 44, wherein the advertisement capcode is maintained in a central database by a service provider, the advertisement capcode being correlated with the programmed capcode.

- 46. (New) An apparatus according to claim 44, further comprising:
- an interface configured to receive the advertisement script with a message, wherein the advertisement script precedes the message.
- 47. (New) An apparatus according to claim 44, wherein a credit is earned by a subscriber of the paging network if the advertisement capcode is utilized.
- 48. (New) An apparatus according to claim 44, wherein the advertisement capcode is removed from the memory.
- 49. (New) An apparatus according to claim 44, wherein the advertisement capcode is assigned based on a marketing criteria including characteristics of a subscriber corresponding to the programmed capcode.
- 50. (New) An apparatus according to claim 44, wherein the advertisement script is created by an entity different from a provider of the paging network.
 - 51. (New) A method for providing a paging service, the method comprising: receiving an advertisement script from a third party; determining which one or more paging units is to receive the advertisement script based on a criteria;

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transmitting the advertisement script to the one paging unit; and crediting an account associated with the one paging unit.

- 52. (New) A method according to claim 51, wherein the one paging unit is programmed with a plurality of capcodes, wherein one of the capcodes is designated for use to receive the advertisement script.
- 53. (New) A method according to claim 51, wherein the advertisement script is replayed by the one paging unit as a voice signal.
- 54. (New) A method according to claim 51, wherein the advertisement script includes wording of an advertisement and a date and time of when to broadcast the advertisement.